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Nonprofits face problems with e-waste:

- 1. Public donates electronics (condition unknown) and a majority do not want to pay a fee for non-working equipment.
- 2. Have to pay market rates for disposal AND bear the costs of handling, storage, packaging and transportation.
- 3. Very little financial assistance from waste haulers and government for e-waste.



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Electronic Recycling Costs and Charges for CRT's are a moving target:

- Current costs/charges Vary by county for CRT's (computer monitors and T.V.'s)
- Actual Future Costs for CRT disposal are unknown and at risk of climbing
- Counties are raising fees, some starting
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Important e-waste stewardship issues:

- There shall be a level of producer responsibility and a fund created to pay for proper disposal
- The fund shall have the highest degree of certainty that it will not deplete
- The public shall not be confused with additional fees for e-waste



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The solution should include:

- 1. A definition of class-levels for e-waste by commodity.
- 2. A way for nonprofit organizations to accept donations at a local level without the penalty of disposal fees.
- 3. A fee-recovery program for NGO and commercial recyclers.